A Good Woman Who Drew a Capital Prize in the Matrimonial Lettery.

Several men, at a railway station in Mississippi, were discussing the question, "Is marriage a failure?" when an old fellow who carried a horse-collar on one arm, took a large quid of tobacco from his mouth, threw it against the stove and then said:

"Gentlemen, I've been listenin' fur some time to yo' talk, an' though I ain't much uv a hand at no sort uv a 'skussion, yit I would like to say a few words. Frum what I ken gether, marriage, fur woman in purticular, is a failure. Am I right (turning to a welldressed stranger)?" "Yes."

"That the woman hain't got no show a tall."

"That is about it." "How long befo' yo' train will be

here, yo' reckon?" "I don't know, but what has that to do with the discussion?"

"A good deal, fur I want to know if you've got time ter step over ter my country."

"She's happy, Isuppose." "Happiest woman in the State." "An exceptional case growing out of an association with an exceptional

man. I suppose you study her happiness." "No, she studies that herself."

"You let her have her own way." "No, she takes it. Whenever she says dance, I dance. She wasn't so happy when we wuz fust married, for I sorter b cked against her notions, but I soon found out that ef I didn't want a new bruise before the old one got well, that I'd have ter knock un-

Just then a tall angular woman stepped up on the platform of the station and, in a sharp voice, called

"Yes, ma'am," replied the man who piness of marriage.

"Thought you was goin' ter dig them "I am, mur, jest as soon as I git

through talkin' to this gentleman.' "Yessum."

"Thought you was goin' to dig them 'taters."

"I am in a minit." "Zeb!"

"Yessum." "You'll find the hoe under the syc-

amore tree." "Yessum, in a minit."

"Zeb!" "I'm thar. Gentlemen, I would like ter continue this yere pleasant 'skussion, but-be thar befo' you ken count three. Gentlemen, my wife's marriage was a big success fur her."-Arkansaw Traveler.

### PROSPEROUS BEGGARS.

The Dally Income of Organ-Grinders and Street Ballard Singers.

Sympathetic ladies who send nickels and silver pieces by a servant to the poor organ-grinder, who stands at their door, or who throw down to him, from an upper window, pennies wrapped in how much a man gets in the course of | feed by fall. a day, and what he does with his money.

For the latter he does not spend more than a seventh part of it. He puts it safely away and keeps increasing it. Sometimes he joins at night a select club of his fellow countrymen, who gamble their pennies away in long and delicious excitement.

How much do you think he earns? More than a carpenter, a bricklayer, a policeman, a postman or a salesman in a store, who wears gloves and a silk hat. He averages \$4 per day. He labors systematically and has his regular beat, and his varied art to extract the penny from persons of each class he plays before. On an average he plays on 200 blocks per day, and it's a 2 cents.

The girls who are seen daily on our streets dressed in pretty Switzer or Neapolitan costumes, drawing and playing what is known as a "piano or to \$20 per day, and as a rule they are not required to labor more than six hours per day.

The latest "wrinkle" in street music is a young woman who sings, accompanied by three swarthy sons of Italy, on the harp, violin and picolo. She has a sweet voice, dresses attractively and sings "songs that reach the heart" and the pocket at the same time. She is not an Italian, as many suppose, but an English girl, who is said to be the wife of a son of the sunny peninsula.

One who is acquainted with her history informed the writer that she was of first-class family, fairly educated and of a penurious nature. For the latter reason she adopted her present mode of obtaining a living. Her income is over \$30 per day, from which she pays a few dellars to her accompanists. She sings on an average fifty times per day, and always in localities where many men are employed; before printing offices, manufactories, etc., and in courts and places immediate to the principal thoroughfares where street pedestrians are numerous. It is said that in a few years she intends to "cross the water" and live in quiet ease for the remainder of her life, by that time having acquired a small fortune. Old women who sit upon sidewalks playing "hurdy-gurdies" with a placard of petition about the neck average a laboring man's wages, even in dull times.

It is an old saying that "the world owes every body a living," and from the above it can not but appear as a truism .- Boston Record.

degrees below zero, producing splendid coats, which are sold all over the world, including the United States.

did coats, which are sold all over the London Live Stock Journal.

HOME AND FARM.

-Old wall paper can be very much improved in appearance by simply rubbing it well with a flannel cloth dipped in oatmeal.

-Milk Crackers: One-quarter pound of flour, one-quarter pound cornstarch, two ounces fine sugar, small teaspoonful baking-powder; rub into these onequarter pound butter; mix to a stiff dough with milk; heat ten minutes;

-Young cattle must be kept in good growing condition. A check in growth and thrift during the first year can never be recovered by subsequent treatment. Bran, ground oats, oilcake and roots are all suitable food constituents, but corn and corn-meal, if fed at all, should be given very sparingly and in connection with large proportions of muscle-forming food. -

-An easy way of cleaning the marble on bureau and washstand: First ner to be chamfered. house with me. If you will, I think I rub as clean as possible with dry ken show you in about ten minutes chamois, then brush on it a thick coat that marriage fur one woman at least of gum-arabic solution. Let this dry is one uv the biggest successes in the and then peel it off. If it does not tion, a detachment of men improvised sevcome off easily, wash with a clean cloth and a little warm water. Polish the marble with a piece of soft flannel or old felt.

-Farmers' Apple Fruit Cake: Two cups dried apples, pour on one cup boiling water, let it stand over night, then chop up fine, then put in one cup simmer half hour, two eggs, one cup butter, half-cup sweet milk, one tablespoonful saleratus, one teaspoonful cloves, one teaspoonful cinnamon, half hour .-- Albany Journal.

-Cocoanut Sponge Pudding: Stir together two cupfuls of dry spongecrumbs and two cupfuls of boiling milk. When nearly cold, add the yelks of four eggs beaten stiff, one cupful of grated cocoanut, one cupful of sugar, one teaspoonful of rose water and one glass of sherry. Bake, had been arguing in favor of the hap- and spread with the whites of four eggs beaten stiff, two tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar, one-half of a cupful of grated cocoanut, one teaspoonful of lemon juice. Brown.-Good Housekeeping.

-Whenever an animal shows signs of sickness remove it from the others at once, without waiting for the disease to develop. Precaution often saves time and loss. If the sickness is not contagious no harm will be done by removing the animal. Where the disease is contagious the bodies of the animals that have died should be burned or buried deep, as the disease

-As generally wintered, it hardly to keep them. Not but that it is possible to secure a good growth if the proper conditions are given, but in so many cases these are not provided; A DEVICE has been patented for use in to live through the winter, but come out in the spring in such a condition that the same grade of pigs farrowed thick writing paper, may like to know | in the spring will make upon the same | consists of a round wooden box with a

## SELECTING A HORSE.

Points About the Good Points and Defects of the Animal. A purchaser, in order to make a not only the aggregate appearance of the particular horse which he wants, but the good points and the defects of horses in general, the structural developments on which the good points depend and the features and symptoms by which the

defects are indicated. Strength, in combination with requisite speed and the greatest possible houses. action and docility, is the prime property in every kind of horse, and it always depends on the form of the chest, deucedly poor block that does not pay the mutual balance of limbs and body and the general symmetrical develop-

ment of bone and muscle. The form of the chest is a main point in even the race-horse and distinctly indicates his power of breathorgan on wheels," average from \$10 ing and his general strength and dura-

The fore-extremities are principally concerned in the freedom, the smoothness and the safety of action, and as they are subject to several serious faults they ought to be closely exam-

The forefeet, in order to insure accurate motion, must, in a front view, stand parallel with the sides of the animal's body, and the toes must point forward and not be much turned, forward and not be much turned, either inward or outward. The feet CATTLE-Native Steers..... \$ 3 25 @ 5 50 should be sound and the hoofs free from grogginess. Flat feet with low

heels are particularly bad. The hind-extremities are principally concerned in both the power and the speed of action; they require, in all cases, to comprise long quarters, strong loins, and well-formed legs. "For gailoping," says Prof. Dick, "the lengthy horizontal or finely-turned quarter, and the lengthy thigh are best adapted for speed, while for trotting, there is a greater degree of sloping in the quarter, which is less pleasing to the eye than the galloping quar-

The last thing, and a very important one, to be attended to in the choosing of a horse is his temper and training. A fine calm eye and a pleasant countenance serve in some degree to indicate the temper. When a trial is possible mount the horse and start at a walk. See if there be any lameness. Observe next how he walks; if he steps well out, taking a good long stride. Observe also how he carries his head and bears upon the bridle. From a walk ou urge the horse to a trot. There is a great difference in -The dog farms at Manchuria are ferent horses; in one it is easy, in annumbered by the thousand. From a other rough, in another quick, in andozen to hundreds of dogs are raised other slow, and in many horses it is on each farm annually, the great cold neither one thing nor another, but a of winter, dropping more than thirty curious, provoking sort of compound

ODD INGENUITIES.

An Atlanta, Ga., man has applied clockwork to the running of a sewing machine. A FRENCH engineer has recently invented an improved key, which simplifies and renders lasting the tuning of stringed in-

A New Yorker has invented a cash system which admits of no mistakes. If you hand a clerk a five dollar bill it will be utterly impossible to make him believe it was

A MACHINE by which the interest on any roll out thin, prick well, cut in rounds sum, from ten thousand dollars to one doland bake in quick oven till light lar, from ten years to one day, at any rate per cent., may be determined in thirty seconds, by simply turning a knob, has been patented recently. An ingenious inventor has devised a new

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screw-half nail and half screw; two blows of the hammer, two turns of the screwdriver, and it is in. Its holding power in white pine is said to be 332 pounds, against 298 pounds, the holding power of the pres-

A Kansas City carpenter has invented a new chamfering instrument, by the aid of which he claims to cut a corner to the desired angle at one stroke. There is no repetition of the planing process, the machine being passed only once over the cor-

A Russian sergeant of the Semonovsky Regiment has invented a method for the rapid construction of boats from tents. In thirty minutes, under the designer's direceral handy boats with the aid of green wood from a neighbering grove. Each boat readily supported four to six fully equipped

A STRIKING improvement in clocks was exhibited and described to the British Association for the Advancement of Science by a noted inventor. The new feature consists in the use of a torsion pendulum, which, with lever and escapement, may be brown sugar, one cup molasses; let it applied to ordinary works, and by its slow rate of vibration makes it practicable to convert an eight-day clock into one requiring winding only once a year.

An Italian inventor has succeeded, it appears, in applying electricity to the playing nutmeg; flour not too stiff, bake one of musical instruments. Numbers of brass and other instruments are suspended in mid air, separated from one another as much as the size of the hall will permit. Signor Bozza then, by means of an ingemous electrical keyboard, plays on any or all of them, producing at will the full effect of a band of thirty or forty performers.

A MIXTURE composed of two drachms of camphor, half a drachm of pure saltpetre, half a drachm of muriate of ammonia and two fluid ounces of proof spirit, placed in a glass tube or a narrow vial, makes an excellent barometer. In dry weather the solution remains clear; stormy weather is indicated by a very disturbed condition of the chemical mixture, and on the approach of a change, minute stars will rise in the liquid. A New England genius has recently liscovered a cheap method of dissolving zine by combining it with hydrogen and producing a solution called zine water. This hauid, if applied to certain woods, notably whitewood, makes it absolutely fireproof and at a low cost. This discovery is regarded as one of the most important of the age, and one that will surely revolutionize fire insurance, as well as immensely decrease the loss by fire. The invention is kept secret for the present.

A NEW invention is reported for drying buildings. A Russian engineer has inmay reappear at some future time vented an apparatus for drying buildings unless precautions are used to guard against it. The whole premises should against it. The whole premises should against the moisture of the air rapidly absorbing the moisture of the air steel. structed a closed stove burning charcoal by pays to keep pigs through the winter. | the introduction of air into it direct from The slow growth secured fails to pay the open through two tubes. A steady cura fair per cent. upon the feed required | rent of dry, warm carbonic gas is allowed to escape into the room to be dried, which rapidly absorbs the moisture in the air, and escapes in the ordinary manner through the chimney.

and as a consequence the pigs manage | transmitting bottles through the mails or otherwise, with a view to preventing injury to goods which may come in contact with them from the breaking of the bottle and spilling of its contents. This mailing case screw top, there being inside the box a thick lining of absorbent material, which, in case of breakage, will quickly absorb the liquid and prevent damage that might otherwise occur. As a result of this construction it is claimed that the breaking of the bottle is not followed by the escape common-sense bargain, must know from the mailing case of any of the bottle's

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